

Yea—Senators Ball, Cole, Dillard, Evans, Ford, Finlay, Flanagan, King, Ruby, Sayers, Shelley, Swift, Word and Mr. President—14.

Nay—Senators Avinger, Baker, Fountain, Franks, Rawson and Randle—6.

On motion the Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow.

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, March 29, 1873.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called; quorum present. Prayer by the chaplain.

On motion of Senator Avinger, the reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

Senator King presented a petition from the citizens of Bexar county, protesting against the dismemberment of that county. Read and passed to the orders of the day, to go with bill to enlarge the county of Medina.

Senator Shelley, chairman of the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report:

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred House bill No. 308, to be entitled "An act to authorize the county of Marion to audit and fund the debt of said county," having carefully considered the same, instruct me to report the same back and recommend its passage.

N. G. SHELLEY, Chairman.

Senator Avinger, chairman of the Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, submitted the following report:

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to whom was referred House bill No. 142, "An act to enlarge the area of Menard county," have duly considered the same, and instruct me to report it back, and recommend its passage.

H. J. AVINGER, Chairman.

Senator Latimer, chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: I have the honor to report that I did, on yesterday, at 11 o'clock A. M., present to his Excellency the Governor, for his approval and signature, Senate joint resolution No. 21, "Awarding Winchester rifles to certain persons."

H. R. LATIMER, Chairman.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the House had refused to concur in the amendments of the Senate to House bill No. 179, "An act to authorize the County Court of Falls county to levy and collect a special tax for the purpose therein expressed," and that the House had passed House bill No. 380, "An act to incorporate the South Sulphur Bridge and Turnpike Company."

Also, House bill No. 254, "An act to authorize the County Court of Upshur county to issue interest-bearing bonds to finish paying for the building of the court house of said county, and to levy and collect a tax to pay the same."

Senator Ruby, chairman *pro tem.* of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills having carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 195, find the same correctly engrossed.

G. T. RUBY, Chairman *pro tem.*

The following committee was appointed to report a bill redistricting the State into six congressional districts, viz.: Senators Finlay, Evans, Franks, Avinger, Dillard and Fountain.

Senator Randle offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Penitentiary:

Resolved, That the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee of three to visit the State Penitentiary for the purpose of inspecting the same, and ascertaining the necessity for the establishment of one or more branch penitentiaries, and report to this House the result of their investigation by bill or otherwise.

Senate bill No. 25, "An act concerning Treasury warrants," together with the report of the committee, recommending that the same do not pass, was taken up and the report of the committee adopted.

Senate bill No. 154, "An act to regulate the stoppage

of passenger cars at railroad stations," was read second time and ordered engrossed; rules suspended, read third time and passed.

Senator Latimer, chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills submitted the following reports:

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills would respectfully report that they have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 49, "An act supplementary and amendatory to an act to incorporate the Galveston Medical College Hospital, approved May 31, 1871," and find it correctly enrolled.

H. R. LATIMER, Chairman.

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Committee on Enrolled Bills would report that they have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 53, "An act for the relief of John H. Jenkins," and find the same correctly enrolled.

H. R. LATIMER, Chairman.

Senate bill No. 155, "An act for the protection of the wool growing interest of the State," was read second time and ordered engrossed.

Senate bill No. 146, "An act to amend an act to adopt and establish a Penal Code for the State of Texas, approved August 26, 1866," was read second time and ordered engrossed.

Senator Finlay, chairman of Judiciary Committee No. 2, submitted the following report:

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate:

SIR: Your Judiciary Committee No. 2, to whom was referred a bill to be entitled "An act to amend an act regulating elections, passed at the present Legislature," having considered the same, I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate and recommend its passage with the following amendments:

Amend section fourteen by inserting after the words "his official seal" the words "or his scroll, if he has no seal."

Amend section sixteen by inserting after the words "or other official seal" the words "or scroll, if he has no seal."

GEO. P. FINLAY, Chairman.

On motion of Senator Flanagan, the rules were suspended to consider the bill with the report.

The bill was read second time, and the amendments recommended by the committee adopted; rules further suspended, the bill read third time and passed.

Senate bill No. 199, "An act to amend section two of an act concerning divorce and alimony," was read second time and recommitted to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

Senator Fountain introduced a bill to be entitled "An act to incorporate the Brazos Santiago and Rio Grande Canal Company." Read first time and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senate bill No. 189, "An act concerning private corporations," was read second time and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Fountain, the Senate resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider Senate bill No. 104, "An act to provide against the evils resulting from the sale of intoxicating liquors in the State of Texas."

The committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. Report adopted.

On motion of Senator Flanagan, the Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. next Monday.

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SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, March, 31, 1873.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment Roll called; quorum present. Prayer by the chaplain.

On motion of Senator Avinger, the reading of the journal of Saturday was dispensed with.

A message was received from the House informing the Senate that the House had passed the following bills:

House bill No. 533, "An act to incorporate the town of Nelsonville, in the county of Austin."

House bill No. 210, "An act to incorporate the town of Whitesboro, in Grayson county."

House bill No. 545, "An act making an appropriation to pay F. E. McManus one month's salary as judge of the Fifteenth Judicial District of the State of Texas."

House bill No. 402, "An act to incorporate the Milam Real Estate and Immigration Association."

House bill No. 236, "An act to repeal an act to establish a State police and provide for the regulation and govern-